

IEN Program Resource Advisory Council (IPRAC)

December 13, 2011 Meeting Minutes

(Approved April 10, 2012)

The December 13, 2011 meeting of the IEN Program Resource Advisory Council was held in the Barbara Morgan Room of the LBJ Building, 650 West State Street, Boise, Idaho.

ATTENDANCE

Members/Alternate(s) Present:

Tom Luna (Chair), Superintendent of Public Instruction

John Miller, Dean of Off Campus Instruction, College of Southern Idaho

Jerry Reininger, Director of Information Systems, Meridian School District

Sen. Bert Brackett, Joint Finance & Appropriations Committee (VTC)

Teresa Luna, Director, Dept. of Administration

Rep. Darrell Bolz, Joint Finance & Appropriations Committee

Rep. Wendy Jaquet, Joint Finance & Appropriations Committee

Jay Larsen, Executive Director, Idaho Technology Council

Sen. Shawn Keough, Joint Finance & Appropriations Committee

Sen. John Goedde, Chairman of Senate Education Committee

Absent Members

Shelly Sayer, Premier Technology Inc.

Cheryl Charlton, CEO, Idaho Digital Learning Academy

Rep. Bob Nonini, Chairman of House of Representatives Education Committee

Others Present:

Julie Best, IEN Martin Bilbao, ENA

Sally Brevick, Office of the CIO

Mike Costa, IEN

Jeff Farden, Idaho Digital Learning Academy

Robin Finch, Dept. of Administration

Cliff Green, IEN Brady Kraft, IEN Keith Murphy, CenturyLink

Gayle Nelson, ENA

Connie Smith, Dept. of Administration

Debra Stephenson-Padilla, IEN Joel Strickler, CenturyLink

Mike Vance, ENA

Greg Zickau, Office of the CIO

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Rep. Bolz moved and Dr Miller seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2011 meeting as presented; the motion passed unanimously.

INTRODUCTION: CLIFF GREEN

Dr Green was introduced to the Council, having recently joined the IEN team as Executive Director. Dr Green shared an outline of the joint strategic planning process, a partnership of the Department of Administration, Board of Education and Department of Education.

BUDGET REQUEST

Brady Kraft briefed the Council on the IEN spending authority request for FY2013. This includes the first request for General Fund dollars (the anticipated \$3M General Fund request is reduced to \$1,925,000 due to funds being carried over).

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE UPDATE

Dr. Reininger reported on items discussed at the Technical Advisory Committee meeting of December 7, 2011:

- Renovo Demo Julie Best (IEN Content Specialist) had provided an overview of how to use the Renovo program, which centralizes the scheduling of IEN-delivered courses.
- ENA and CenturyLink had provided technical updates to the committee but no concerns had been reported or raised.
- The Technical Committee may hold fewer meetings in future, given that the initial build is now complete and the network is operating smoothly.

CONNECTIVITY REPORT

Brady Kraft provided a year-to-date financial summary and went on to report that all 194 high schools have been connected, providing service to 82,907 high school students. The subject of increasing the number of origination sites was discussed. It is not financially viable to transfer unused origination systems from one site to another, it is therefore preferable to increase the number of original systems and encourage all such systems to be used. It was also noted that receive sites do have the ability to originate though they lack the technology to use multi-media applications, this will be demonstrated at a future meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE

In Garry Lough's absence, Julie Best reported that 115 teachers and administrators have been trained during the fall, and about 320 classes held over the IEN. The supply of content over the IEN is currently outpacing demand, so the focus needs to be on increasing the content usage. Ms Best provided an overview of the communications activity carried out since the last meeting and then shared a YouTube video, produced by students at Sugar Salem High School, which demonstrates a class held over the IEN.

ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

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The meeting adjourned at 2:48 PM. The next meeting is scheduled for February 14, 2012 at 1:30pm in the Barbara Morgan Room of the LBJ Building, 650 West State Street.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Brevick
Office of the CIO